

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: TRIPATHY, et al.
Serial No.: 09/580,516
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Group Art Unit: 2145
Confirmation No. 9356
Examiner: Melvin H. Pollack
Title: *Element Management System with Automatic Remote
Backup of Network Elements Local Storage*

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicants respectfully request continued examination of this Application to allow the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following amendments thereto and the comments set forth below.